

REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Date of entry in Register: 11 February 2004
Name of applicant/court: The District Court at Manukau
Applicant to the Labelling Body: Not Applicable
Title of Publication: 17) A13287\JNK_KRT_a10.jpg
Other Known Title(s): Not Stated
Director(s): Not Applicable
Producer(s): Not Applicable
Publisher: Not Stated
Author(s): Not Applicable
Format: Computer Image File
Country of Origin: Not Stated
Language(s): Not Applicable

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Components of film originally examined: Not Applicable.

Feature: Running Time:
Trailers: Running Time:
Total Running Time:

Excision/Alteration: Not Applicable.

Reason(s) for Excision:

Not Applicable.

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Classification Decision:

Objectionable.

Display Conditions:

Not Applicable.

Descriptive Note:

Not Applicable.

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Direction to issue a label has been given on: Not Applicable.

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SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR DECISION:

The computer image file entitled *17) A13287\JNK_KRT_a10.jpg* is classified as:
Objectionable.

The computer image file contains a colour photographic image, and was examined as a hard copy printout of the original JPEG file. It is deemed objectionable under s3(2) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 (FVPC Act) because it promotes and supports acts of torture and the infliction of extreme violence and extreme cruelty. It does this by presenting the cruel and violent treatment of a woman as being sexually arousing and entertaining.

The classification of this publication interferes with the freedom of expression as outlined in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990, but this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications falling under s3(2) of the FVPC Act are deemed to be objectionable. The classification reflects the concern of "a free and democratic society" to limit the availability of publications that promote and support acts of torture and the infliction of extreme violence and extreme cruelty.

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